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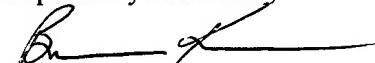
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The above-identified patent application was filed on August 24, 2001; a Notification of Missing Requirements was mailed on November 8, 2000. A Notice of Abandonment was received on June 10, 2002; a Filing Receipt was mailed on September 17, 2002. A Letter Granting the Petition, Status Requests were filed on September 27, 2004, January 6, 2005 and June 30, 2005. Lastly, a Letter from USPTO regarding Status Checks was received on November 6, 2005.

Since we have not received any communications from an Examiner with USPTO, this is to officially inquire as to the status of the above-identified patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,



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